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THE HONOR ROLL

Those Who Were Studious for the Past School Month

MIDDLETOWN PUBLIC SCHOOL

The following pupils of the Middletown school are on the honor roll for this past twenty school days:

HIGH SCHOOL

11th grade—Millie Rosenberg, Frances Cochran, Leone Laddie, Grace Brady, William Meyers, Letitia Pool, Alma Whitlock, Florence Kohl.

10th grade—June McWhorter.

9th grade—Elizabeth Shalleross, Edith Cochran, Clara Brady, John Johnson, Fanny Rosenberg, Laura Fogel, John Carey.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL

8th grade—Anna Bingner, Virginia Pearce, Corine Van Sant, Helen Dugan, Clayton Draper.

7th grade—Harriett Black, Grace Rosenberg, Caroline Fouracre, Margaret Harris, Walter Beaton, Percy Donaghy, Burton Pearson, John Pool.

6th grade—Dorothy Caulk, Helen Kates, Grace Vandye, John Spicer, Frank VanSant, Stacy Jones, Edwin Donaghy, Margaret Brady, Elizabeth Brady, Preston Whitlock, Gladys Manlove, Norma Fyle.

5th grade—William Cannon, Katherine Conley, Harry Pearce, Virginia Hopkins, Leland Sines.

PRIMARY SCHOOL

4th grade—Bertha Chance, Elizabeth Hufal, Frances Harris, Mary Alfrie, Helen Fouracre, Henry Howell, John Voshell, Elizabeth Johnson, Catherine Haskins, Dorothy Jones, Charlotte Donaghy, Kathryn Davis, Charles Hopkins.

3d grade—Joseph Beaton, Lewis Stewart, Julian King, Winfield Betts, Benny Rosenberg, John Donohue, Virginia Brady, Catherine Carpenter, Alice Jolls, Olga Vlahos, Sophia Vlahos.

2d grade—Arrie Bradley, Geoffrey Newcome.

1st grade—A Division—Almeta Spicer, William Alfrie, Jack Green, John C. Swain. B Division—Kathryn Johnson, Elizabeth Sines, Elsie Reed, Evelyn Elliott, Edward VanDyke, Leroy Hall, George Lindale.

HOME DESTROYED BY FIRE

Fire, supposed to have been started from a defective flue, destroyed the farm-house of Edward Spear, on the Bohemia Manor, about four miles from Mt. Pleasant, last Saturday evening. The dwelling was of frame construction. All the furniture of the house was also burned, and the family left practically with only the clothing which they wore. The fire was discovered early in the evening, and in the rear portion of the house, and the shed enclosed the pump, the only one on the farm, was ablaze almost when the fire was discovered, and was rendered useless.

Mr. Spear has been peculiarly unfortunate from fires, having had his stock barn burned while living on the Lockwood farm near Warwick, three years ago. At that time twelve horses and 2000 bushels of grain were burned. The stock was at that time insured for about half its value, but the insurance policy on the grain had expired but a few days before. The house in this case was insured for \$1000, but the loss will more than double that amount. Mr. Spear had bought the place but a few months ago.

Matinee, Movies, Etc.

The big crowd in the Opera House, last Monday night enjoyed Mr. Rosenberg's "Jack and the Beanstalk" immensely, especially the young folks.

The affair was spectacular, and full of thrills and fairyland wonders. One marveled when seeing the size of the giant's appetite that Mr. Hoover doesn't get after him. Our farmers' wives weren't much impressed with the chicken Jack stole that laid golden eggs—their hens are doing about as much these days.

The movie was much too long; by cutting out several needless episodes it could be much shortened and be made very much more effective. But those cock-sure scenario builders know it all.

To accommodate his country patrons, impresario Rosenberg says he intends to give a matinee movie every Saturday afternoon at 2 P. M., beginning Saturday, March 23d. These matinee movies will be precisely the same in length, quality, etc., as those given evenings—fresh, first-class films. Admission, adults 15c, children 5c.

Big Patriotic Mass Meeting

A patriotic Mass Meeting will be held in the Opera House, Tuesday evening, March 26th. Speakers of national reputation will present the vital, pressing issues of the war, and bring home to every citizen the duty each owes our imperiled country.

Lt. Sutton, of the British Army, a hero who left an arm in No Man's Land before the German trenches, will thrill his hearers with vivid stirring stories from the front. The Fort duPont U. S. Military Band of 24 pieces, will enliven the occasion with fine music.

The importance of this meeting to man, woman and child who loves his country and value the dearly-bought liberties they enjoy should lead them to pack the Opera House to overflowing.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH NOTES

Sunday, March 24th The Sixth Sunday in Lent. (Palm Sunday.) Services: 10.30, Morning Prayer and Sermon.

11.45, Sunday School session. 7.30, Evening Prayer and Address.

PALM SUNDAY

"On the next day much people that were come to the feast, when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, took branches of palm-trees, and went forth to meet Him, and cried Hosanna."—St. John XII:12-13.

Palm Sunday is the beginning of the Holy Week, in which our Saviour suffered. Its name commemorates His entry into Jerusalem, when the multitude carried palm-branches, emblems of victory, in their hands, and the air was filled with shouts in his honor from the same voices that were so soon to cry: "Away with Him! crucify Him!" They entered the holy city in triumph, and the children who marched in the procession chanted the Hosanna to His praise when they reached the temple. The whole week is one of great solemnity, and the church calls her children together day by day to hear the story of His Passion; that with more awe, reverence, and humiliation we may approach the final day when His great sacrifice was crowned, and His great sacrifice completed.

WEDNESDAY BEFORE EASTER

We remember on Wednesday how Judas betrayed his Master, as on Friday we think on the Crucifixion. The memory of the traitor, selling his Lord, wakes our sorrow, and warns us to watch our own souls in temptation.

THURSDAY BEFORE EASTER

"This day in remembrance of Me."—St. Luke XXII:19. The Thursday before Easter is called the day of the command, because on this day our Saviour instituted the Holy Sacrament of His Supper. Let us never turn away with cold hearts from this precious feast, but come to it even with fresh love and thankfulness that we are allowed to "do this in remembrance of Him who did EVERY THING for us."

GOOD FRIDAY

"And when they were come to the place called Calvary, there they crucified Him."—St. Luke XXIII:33.

This day is well called GOOD, because all our peace in this world, and all our hope for another, rest upon the work that was this day consummated. It is also rightly made the most solemn fast-day of the year, since it was our disobedience that rendered the atonement necessary, our sin for which the Son of God suffered at this time the long, lingering passion of the Cross.

We sometimes see in pictures and in stained glass church windows the symbols of our Saviour's—the several instruments of His torture—the whip which scourged Him, the crown of thorns, the spikes and hammer, the sponge upon the reed, the soldier's spear. For six hours He hung in anguish on the cross. He was nailed to it in the morning, at the third Jewish hour, or nine o'clock. From the sixth to ninth hour, that is, with us, from noon till three o'clock, when he expired, darkness like a pall lay on the land—nature, feeling for her Lord, uttered her signs of grief—and, as He died, the earth shook, rocks burst, and the temple veil was torn. Oh, how humbly, how penitently, how sorrowfully should we kneel before Him to-day, adoring His infinite love, entreating His pardon for the past offences that have so often "crucified Him afresh," praying for a heart to love Him more who has loved us so wonderfully!

SERVICES DURING HOLY WEEK

Tuesday being Maundy Thursday, Holy Communion, 10.30.

Good Friday, Morning Prayer and Sermon, 10.30.

The Three Hour Passion Services, with Addresses on the Words from the Cross, 12 o'clock until 3 o'clock.

Choir rehearsal this week on Friday evening at 7.30.

Service in the church this Friday afternoon at 3.30.

3-The Choir is practicing the Easter Music and they are going to render a very fine program.

The Rector expects and hopes to see a large attendance present at the Three Hour Service on Good Friday. If you cannot be present during the entire Three Hours spend part of the time at the service.

All those having the Missionary Mite Boxes are reminded to return them on Easter Day.

The following excellent report of St. Anne's branch of the Church Periodical Club for 1917 has just been made by the Secretary, Miss Ethel Brady.

Current Periodicals sent regularly. 13 (Number of Contributors)..... 5

Box of odd magazines (about 350)..... 1

Christmas and Easter Cards..... 294

Puzzles..... 20

Check sent to State Librarian.....\$7.75

Miss Ethel Brady our new Altar Director has appointed the following committees to serve as the Chancel Committees throughout the year, and has appointed Miss Patton Cochran as assistant directress.

February and March, Mrs. Julian H. Foud, Miss Charlotte Peverly; April and May, Mrs. E. M. Vaughan, Miss Mildred Vaughan; June and July, Mrs. C. B. Green, Miss Josephine Biggs; August and September, Miss Ethel W. Brady, (Directress) Miss Grace D. Erady; October and November, Miss Susan Ford; Miss Helen F. Brady; December and January, Mrs. Ethel P. Brown, Miss Josephine Cochran.

MOTHER'S WAR HYMN!

BY GEORGE CARTER.

(Tune—"ARISE WITH ME.")

God keep my boy, wherever he may be!
Keep him in health and send him back to me!
Keep him on land, in air and on the sea!
God keep my boy and send him back to me!

God keep my boy, whose face I long to see!
Keep him in heart and give him victory!
Let Freedom reign wherever he may be!
God keep my boy and send him back to me!

God keep my boy, he's all in all to me!
Heart of my heart, since days of infancy!
Soul of my soul—and so I beg of Thee,
God keep my boy and send him back to me!

God keep my boy, who wars for Liberty,
Stand between him and death or injury!
But if he Thy will his soul to free,
God keep my boy through all eternity!

The above war hymn was sung by between 10,000 and 15,000 persons in the churches of Wilmington and vicinity. To meet the uses of those churches for a special hymn for the day, THE EVENING JOURNAL sent out 21,000 complimentary copies. In practically all of the orthodox churches the hymn was sung at one or more of the services. In some of the ritualistic churches it was held in reserve for use at special services. It was also sung in the three Jewish synagogues.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Many Condensed News Items of the Past Week

IN THIS AND NEARBY POINTS

Real March weather this week. Spring is just around the corner.

The days and nights are of equal length.

What about some dogless days? A lot of curs are eating food that the armies need.

Sunday, March 24, will be Palm Sunday, and the following Sunday, March 31, will be Easter.

Better raise your own food this year. You can't be sure that anybody else will raise it for you.

It is easy for a woman to look out for herself—especially if there is a window in the room she occupies.

Mrs. T. S. Fouracre delightfully entertained the U. T. C. Sewing circle at her home Wednesday evening.

A man has as much of a place in the kingdom of God as he allows the kingdom of God to have a place in him.

Dr. E. W. Caswell, of Middletown, will preach in St. Paul's U. E. Church, Odessa, on to-morrow (Sunday) morning.

Fishermen are getting ready for their spring fishing. Every person who fishes a seine will be compelled to have a federal license.

The Rev. Frederick W. Loetscher, of Princeton Theological Seminary, has accepted the invitation to preach in Old Drawers church on Sunday, June 2d.

A carload of Southern grown seed potatoes were sold here at public auction last Saturday by James E. Lewis. They were of fine quality and brought from \$1.75 to \$1.85 per bushels, and were sold in lots of from five to twenty-five bushels, and were purchased by the farmers living nearby.

The "Friends of Old Drawers" have secured the Rev. Frederick W. Loetscher of Princeton Theological Seminary to preach the sermon at the morning service at the annual reunion of Old Drawers Church which will be held on Sunday, June second.

Now that the bottom has dropped out of the egg market, farmers and the public generally will do well to eat a considerable number of them. They are nourishing and a good substitute for meat and the larger use of them will give more meat for the use of the men on the front.

OUR PATRIOTIC CHILDREN

The War Council of the American Red Cross has given to the patriotic children of the United States an official part in the great work of the Society. Early in the year the work of forming school auxiliaries was taken up in this state under the chairmanship of Mrs. Robert L. Holliday, and already 16 Delaware schools have joined the Junior Red Cross.

The Dover School, 500 pupils, Leipsic School, 68 pupils, Rice's Rural, (Fulton) 13, Laurel Hill, 75, Greenspring School, (Smyrna) 19, Bridgeville Colored School 137, Oak Shade School, (Wyoming) 13, Viola Public School, 103, Cannon School, 50, Hockessin School 1, 51, Middletown High School, 187, Oak Hill School, 40, Woodside School, 40, Mt. Airy School, 15.

Nine of these schools had 100 percent enrollment, or every pupil in the school a Dover member. Felton, Frederica, Leipsic, Rice's Rural, Mt. Airy, Cannon, Hockessin and Middletown.

1401 children in the state, therefore, are members, and are doing Red Cross work secured by their teachers from the local Red Cross Branches.

OBITUARY

MRS. AMELIA FORD

The funeral of Mrs. Amelia Ford, who died at the home of her sons, Joseph and Lewis Ford, near Townsend, on March 14th, was held on Sunday. Mrs. Ford was aged 94 years, and is survived by eight children. They are Mrs. Anna Bramble, Massey, Md.; Mrs. Mary Golt, Townsend, Del.; Mrs. Elizabeth Hesse, Locust Grove, Md.; Mrs. Susi Jewell, Summit Bridge, Del.; Mrs. Rachel Blanchfield, Earleville, Md.; Thomas Ford, Elkton, Md.; Joseph and Lewis Ford, Townsend, Del., also by 75 grandchildren and 42 great grandchildren.

Services were held at Delaney's Chapel, with interment in adjoining cemetery, Rev. J. M. Link, of Warwick, officiating. Six grandsons acted as bearers.

ROBERT GIBBS

Last Sunday morning young Robert Gibbs, son of Hester and Crawford Gibbs, died of pneumonia in a Baltimore hospital whither his mother had been summoned by a telegram telling of his serious illness.

The funeral services on Thursday afternoon were largely attended in the Brownstown A. M. E. Church, Rev. P. P. Gaines, a former pastor, now of Philadelphia, and Rev. Geo. Dickinson officiating. Rev. C. Brown was also present. Rev. Gaines preached a fine sermon from Rev. 20-1, "And he showed me a river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and The Lamb." He praised the Sunday School work done during his pastorate by Robert, and told how his efforts to educate himself etc., were hampered by his wretched health. The Rev. Dickinson's remarks stirred his hearers.

The choir, sang several beautiful selections, and "God Will Take Care Of You" as the casket was being removed. It was a handsome one, and was covered with a beautiful flower offerings. Miss Segars read appreciative resolutions by Robert's Sunday School class. The remains were interred in the town colored burial grounds.

JAMES M. DOWNEY

Mr. James M. Downey died in the Methodist Hospital, in Philadelphia, last Sunday morning after an illness of about six weeks. He was 64 years old, and had been for 30 years a resident of Middletown and vicinity, although he was born in Philadelphia.

When quite young he enlisted in the army a Fort McHenry, Baltimore, and spent three years in the service, and was sent South to assist in putting down the murderous Ku-Klux-Klan.

Mr. Downey besides being a very skillful and faithful mechanic, was a good citizen, honest, industrious and kind, while in his domestic relations, always, proving a model husband and father.

He leaves four children, three daughters and one son, Mr. Harry Downey a resident of Wilmington; Mrs. Harvey Naylor, living in Townsend; Mrs. Edward Haezele, living in Philadelphia, and Mrs. Colonel Crouch who resides in Middletown with her three children, Helen, Paul and Marion.

The funeral services were conducted by the Rev. John Jones who in Mr. Downey's last illness had been very attentive, and had secured his removal to the hospital in hopes to effect a cure. Mrs. Adam Reed, Mrs. Julian Cleaver, Mrs. Samuel Brockton and Mr. and Mrs. Stuart sang very sweetly, "Will There Be Any Stars in My Crown," "Does Jesus Care," and "Sometime We Will Know," and Mr. Jones paid an eloquent tribute to the character of Mr. Downey.

There were many beautiful floral offerings laid upon his casket. After the conclusion of the services the remains were interred in the Forest Cemetery. Messrs. George Wilson, Charles Kimmy, Joseph Berkman, W. W. Allen, David Burchard and Henry L. Neff acting as pall bearers.

FRIENDS & VISITORS

Personal Items About People You See and Know

THOSE THAT COME AND GO

Miss Ethel Brady was a Philadelphia visitor Tuesday.

Misses Lena and Viola Weber were Philadelphia visitors this week.

Miss Charlotte Peverly is being entertained by friends at Ambler, Pa.

Miss Catherine Goodhand, of New York City, is visiting relatives in town.

Mrs. Robert A. Peplow has returned from a visit with friends in Philadelphia.

Miss Bessie Numbers, of Kenton, was a week-end guest of Miss Ada Scott.

Messrs Arthur J. Pennewill and Harry Segelken spent Sunday in Washington, D. C.

Mrs. G. B. Pearson was the guest of friends in Germantown, Pa., several days this week.

Miss Clara Frame, of Dover, was a recent guest of her grandmother Mrs. Richard Clayton.

Mrs. and Mrs. W. E. Lee, of Wilmington, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. Emlin Massey.

Miss Orah Spry was the guest of her sister Mrs. G. Laurence Reynolds in Wilmington on Sunday.

Mrs. John M. Bendler, of near Warwick, is spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. J. Z. Crossland.

Mrs. W. S. P. Combs and sons spent this week with Dr. Combs' sister Mrs. Ella H. Southard in Wilmington.

Mrs. Nellie C. Lockwood spent the week-end with friends and relatives in Wilmington and New Castle.

Mrs. Bertha Golder, of Kennett Square, Pa., spent Sunday with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Pyle.

Miss Edith M. Ellison and Mr. William C. Gallagher, of Wilmington, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Gallagher Sunday.

Messrs Ray Dickson and Bruce Whitlock, of Wilmington, and Francis Pinder, of Chester, spent Sunday at home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant M. Rowbothan and two daughters of Glenolden, Pa., spent Sunday with Mrs. and Mrs. Samuel Price.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph P. Comegys and daughter, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with their parents Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Comegys.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hite and little daughter, of Pennsgrove, N. J., were week-end visitors of her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Evans at Noxontown.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Evans have announced the engagement of their daughter Miss Rosetta H. to Mr. William Ellison, of Newark, Delaware.

Sergt. Delbert B. Gallagher, Sergt. Benjamin C. Denney and Corporal Davis M. Manlove, of Camp Dix, N. J., were guests at their homes here over Sunday.

Dr. W. V. Messick, of Smyrna, is spending two weeks with his parents Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Messick. Mr. and Mrs. Messick entertained at a turkey dinner on Friday Dr. and Mrs. W. V. Messick and little son, of Smyrna and Mr. and Mrs. Paul B. Messick and two daughters, of near town.

Crowds daily and nightly enjoy fine vocal and instrumental concerts at Fogel & Burstan's Steiff Piano Sale. You are welcome too.

Forest Church Notes

Sunday, March 24th.

10.15 A. M. The Session will meet to receive those desiring to unite with the church.

10.30 A. M. The Administration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

11.45 A. M. Sunday School session. Men cordially invited to attend the Pastor's Bible Class.

6.45 P. M. Christian Endeavor service. Topic: "Remedies for Intemperance." Eph. 5:15-21.

7.30 P. M. Evening service with sermon.

In compliance with the request of the National Service Commission of the Presbyterian Church, special services of intercession will be held next week on Wednesday and Thursday evenings; and on Friday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

Bethesda M. E. Church

The Rev. J. W. Jones, pastor of Bethesda M. E. Church, left Tuesday for the annual conference session at Dover. Bethesda Church has had a successful year, the finances are in good condition, all bills are paid, there is a balance in the treasury, a debt of \$1050, on the parsonage has been paid off during the year, the piano bought for the use of the Sunday school is about paid for the affairs of the Sunday school and Brotherhood are flourishing. The work of the Sunday school is being carried on under the graded system, and is proving satisfactory to teachers and officials.

WANTED—White nurse girl, to care for two children, ages 7 and 10. Good home for right party. Address: P. O. Box 314 Middletown, Del.

CATTLE TO ARRIVE

The Holstein dairy cattle purchased by the Farmers' Trust Co., and the New Castle County National Bank, of Odessa, from Livingston County, Michigan, will arrive probably Thursday, March 21st. The Newark load will be on display at the Washington Hotel Stables at Newark for three days, and the two car loads to Middletown will be on display at the Middletown Hotel Stables for the same period. It is hoped that every farmer in the county who is interested in dairy cattle will drop in and see one of these lots of cattle. These cattle were tested for tuberculosis by a government man from Washington.

Some of the highest breeding of the Holstein breed is represented in these three car loads. These cows are sired by and bred to such bulls as King Segis Champion Mobel, Champion Mobel Hengeweel, Mobel Annie Segis King and King Segis Pontipe Howell. These are bulls of national fame and represent lines of breeding that any breeder might well be proud of.

If you are interested in these cattle see Cashier Vinsinger, of the Farmers' Trust Co., of Newark, or Cashier Brown, of the Odessa Bank, or County Agent Bausman, of Newark. If sufficient interest is expressed, there is no doubt but that the banks would consider bringing in more of this class of stock.

Red Cross

"I believe that the American people, perhaps hardly yet realize the sacrifices and sufferings that are before them. We thought the scale of our Civil War was unprecedented, but in comparison with the struggle into which we have now entered, the civil war seems almost insignificant in its proportions and in its expenditure of treasure and of blood, and therefore, it is a matter of the greatest importance that we should now see to it that the American Red Cross is equipped and prepared for the things that lie before us. It is our instrument to do the work of alleviation and of mercy which will attend this struggle."

We have only one more week in which to complete our March drive. The evening meeting next week will be on Wednesday instead of Tuesday.

HELEN F. BRADY,
Chairman of Surgical Dressings.

Queen Esther Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Queen Esther Circle was held at the home of Miss Ruby Whitlock Friday evening, with twenty-five members present including one new member. It was voted to extend an invitation to the Conference Circles to hold the annual Spring Rally in Bethesda Church, also to contribute home-made candy to the Bazaar held in Grace M. E. Church, Wilmington, this week for the benefit of the Deaconess Home in Wilmington.

A letter from our student at Boz, Ala., was read. The flower committee reported several bouquets of cut flowers sent to the "shut-ins." After the business meeting progressive games were enjoyed and refreshments of cakes, cocoa and candies were served.

Celebrated 17th Birthday

The young friends of Miss Leone Laddie gave her a pleasing surprise on Saturday evening when they gathered at her home on South Broad street to celebrate her 17th birthday anniversary. Miss Laddie had been invited to take her birthday dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard A. Pool, and when she returned about 8 o'clock found her home filled with many of her young friends. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Edward Laddie, Mr. Howard A. Pool, Misses Clara Brady, Margaret Pleasanton, Helen McWhorter, Letitia Pool, Grace Brady, Catherine Goodhand, Clara Frame, Mildred Vaughan, Frances Cochran, Grace Carpenter, Elizabeth Shalleross, Margaret Caulk, Edith Cochran, Leone Laddie, Messrs. Edwin Shalleross, Frank Tyson, Hugh Browne, Nathaniel Robin, Gilbert Pleasanton, Frank McWhorter, Allen Johnson, Hazel Price and Shelley Meyers.

Tribute To Ford Car

One of the strongest tributes which has ever been paid to the strength, flexibility and endurance of the Ford car comes from the pen of the Commander of the First Anglo-Tiberian Field Hospital during the awful flight of the defeated Serbian Army. When she led her entire unit safely thru icy torrents and over snow-capped mountains—a terrible trek of 800 miles to the out-skirts of Belgrade.

"There was only one thing to be done," she says, "if the whole hospital was not to be taken by the enemy. The stag, who usually rode in the motors, must walk; the worst wounded must go in the motors, those who could crawl must crawl, and as for the others—'The road was abominable, with mud and holes and narrow and broken bridges. We were continually all the night, obliged to lift the wounded out of the ambulances and carry them over the dangers, while the motors—those wonderful Ford cars—performed their obdurate feats inconceivable to orthodox chauffeurs at home."

Card of Thanks

All the members of the family of the late James M. Downey wish to express their thanks to all the kind-hearted persons who extended us courtesies during the illness of our father.

MRS. COLONEL CROUCH

FARMERS ORGANIZED

Temporary Organization Effected During The Week

NEW MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

In pursuance with the plans for organizing the farmers of New Castle county into a co-operative association for the betterment of farm conditions in this county, a temporary organization has been effected by the appointment of a membership committee to organize each community. They were George L. Medill, of Newark, chairman; Mrs. Mary E. Dickey, Stanton, State secretary; Mrs. H. B. McDowell, Middletown and A. C. Smedley, Tallyville, membership; H. L. Dilworth, Centerville, constitution and by-laws; J. T. Shalleross, Middletown, publicity.

At the close of the meeting the committee met and appointed the following temporary chairmen and vice-chairmen for the following communities; Tallyville, A. C. Smedley and Eva Weldin; Hockessin, John Mitchell and Nellie Gray; Newark, Thomas Green and Mrs. E. Johnson; Mermaid, William Naudain and Mrs. William Peach; Stanton, C. P. Dickey and Miss Chambers; Newport, William Clugston and Mrs. Robert Robinson; New Castle, J. Frank Meggison; Bear, Clayton Appleton and Mrs. W. E. Cranston; St. Georges, James B. Moore; Kirkwood, Griffin Ellison and Mrs. Richard Cann; Fairview, Frank Whiteman; Mt. Pleasant, Maurice Ellison; Smyrna, W. T. Massey; Centerville, H. L. Dilworth; Middletown, George Janvier and Mrs. Howard Pool; Odessa, Alexander Corbit and Mrs. W. F. Watkins; Blackbird, Royden Caulk and Mrs. Fortner; Townsend, Walter May and Mrs. W. C. Money; Deakynville, Walter Donovan and Mrs. Harry Woonkeper.

The above temporary committee chairmen in co-operation with M. O. Pence, county agent and Gertrude L. Blodgett, State leader for Home Dem. Agents and

Bowser Strikes Chords

But He Does Not Make a Success at It

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By M. QUAD.

A year or so ago Mr. Bowser read in a magazine what many of thousands of others read. It was an article by a celebrated musical composer, who stated as a fact that there was a chord in music which would appeal to every living thing, from an elephant to a flea, and from a vulture to a canary



He Sat Down and Cried Like a Child.

bird. That chord might appeal to their sympathies, their aggressiveness, their loneliness, their joy, their calmness, and so on through the schedule.

The writer cited one case where an elephant had his sympathies wrought upon so that he sat down and cried like a child. There was also one where a man took a harp to a zoological garden and played on it in front of a tiger's cage. He hit the tiger's aggressive chord, and the animal got out of his cage and terribly bit and clawed two or three patients. Again, when he struck a lively chord of the hippopotamus, the old fellow went waltzing around and his eyes sparkled with joy.

Mr. Bowser didn't know whether to believe the story or not, but thought he would like to see it tried, at that. There was a chance coming to him, but he did not know it. He got home the other evening to find that Mrs. Bowser had gone out and left word that she might not be home until about ten o'clock. As the clock had the dinner all ready and it was a good dinner, and there was no excuse for kicking, Mr. Bowser ate his meal and smoked his cigar and read the paper for a while. It was the cat trying to climb up on the piano that made him remember the magazine article.

"Egad!" Bowser said to himself. "Am I going to prove the truth or falsity of that fellow's story about

raise in wages to make her forget it. He struck a chord that he thought would do the business. It did. He heard her broom drop and she came clattering upstairs and looked into the sitting room and exclaimed:

"Why, Mr. Bowser, what was that? I thought a bad boy had thrown a stone through the window and you had tumbled out of your chair dead."

"It was only me playing, Sarah," calmly replied Mr. Bowser.

"Then, if you don't mind it, please don't play any more, for I certainly will have to have my wages raised if I stay here where such things are going on."

Mr. Bowser hadn't hit it yet. The people across the alley, with the front of the houses facing on another street, had their back windows open, and his eye caught a human form seated at one of the windows in a despondent attitude.

"There's my chance," he whispered as his eyes came back to the keys. "It is a girl or woman who is in sorrow, and thinks there is no more joy or pleasure for her in this life. I will try and find the joy chord and give her a new emotion."

Mr. Bowser began with great deliberation to strike every key on the board from left to right, and he kept his eye on the figure in the window as he did so. He had almost reached the end when he struck a chord that seemed to float out and quiver around with a sort of Fourth of July chorus. The figure instantly changed position, and the woman leaned out of the window and shook her fist and shouted:

"Ye old devil ye! Has a poor woman, who has been over the wash tub all day, got to submit to such an infernal racket as this, when she could catch a nap by this cool window. Stop that clatter or I will blow the whistle for a policeman, and he will soon yank you out of there!"

Mr. Bowser had failed again. Perhaps he should have played on a harp instead of a piano. He pulled on the curtain of the window, and was about to abandon his experiments, when the doorbell rang. He went to the door, and there stood a man with a bulldog, and the man said:

"This is Mr. Bowser, I believe."

"It is," Mr. Bowser, the butcher was telling me that you wanted to buy a bulldog, and so I brought mine over. He is worth every cent of fifty dollars, but, as I am hard up just now, I will take half of that."

"I do not wish to buy a dog, of any kind," replied Mr. Bowser, "but I wish you would bring your dog in here a minute, and let me try an experiment on him."

"Is there another dog or cat in the experiment?" cautiously asked the man.

"Oh, no. I am going to play the piano a little, and see how he likes it."

"That won't do no harm, I think, but you must take the risk of it. A bulldog, Mr. Bowser, is an animal that you can't fool with. Sometimes he will lick your hide, and sometimes he will try to get at your throat. I will watch him closely, however, and I guess he will be all right."

The man took a seat, and the dog sat up and looked around him. If he had any idea at all, it was that his owner was going to sell him, and he had objections to that, for everything looked nice and comfortable. Mr. Bowser took a seat at the piano and



The Feathers Flying All Over the Room.

musical chords. Here, you infernal old cat, come down from there and take a seat in a chair while I practice on you a little."

Mr. Bowser seated himself at the piano. He had been able since he was a boy three years old to make a horrible jangle of the keys of a piano. All you have to do is to lift up your hand and bring it down. You can, if you strike hard enough, make the keys give forth the sound of a boy sobbing after his father had given him a licking, or you can make a jar that will almost bring the ceiling down. Mr. Bowser had confidence in himself on this occasion, and the cat seemed to have.

It was a time to strike the keys gently. He wanted to touch the cat's sympathy chord, and he persisted for five minutes and made a failure. Then, by chance almost, he touched the right chord. It was a chord in the air of "The Sweet By and By." The cat responded to it instantly. Her heart was touched. She gave a yowl and went out of the open window into the back yard and licked seven cats one after the other.

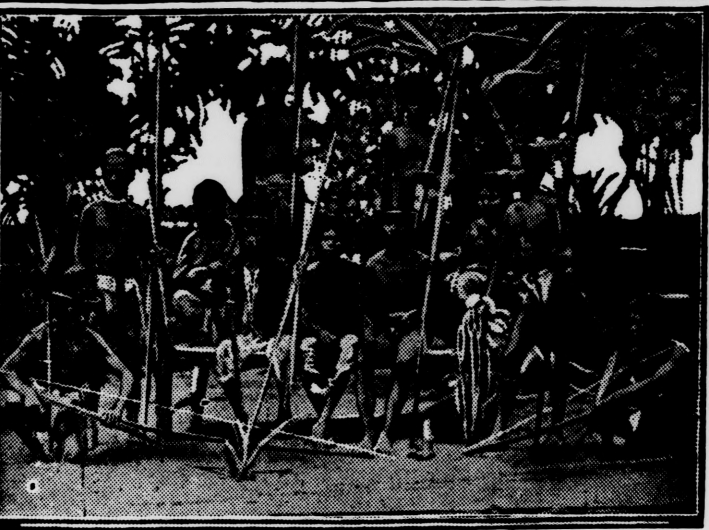
Mr. Bowser didn't know whether to be satisfied or not. He was pondering it over in his mind when he heard the broom clattering around in the dining room. She was making too much noise and he could hear her talking to herself and complaining of her hard life. He would find a chord to calm and quiet her, and if she wanted a

began to strike chords. He let the bass keys alone and used only the treble. If he used any of the bass keys they might sound like a brick-bat falling close to the dog's heels and thus arouse his ire.

Slowly, very slowly, the tender keys were pressed down and held for two or three seconds, and then the right chord came. The bulldog coked his ears, gave a growl which sounded like distant thunder, and with a sudden lunge he broke from his master and ran across to the piano. Here he seized a sofa pillow in his mouth and had it in threads in a moment and feathers flying all over the room. He had served a second pillow in the same way when the two men interfered. In the melee which ensued both were bitten, two or three chairs knocked over and the ensel on which stood Mrs. Bowser's portrait was knocked over and the portrait was trodden under foot. Just at this moment the original of the portrait opened the front door and the dog ran out, pursued by his owner. Mr. Bowser sat down to rub his bitten leg and face the music, but there was no music to face. Mrs. Bowser came in and looked around, and then, as she began to remove her hat, she said:

"Oh, yes. I read that same article, and I was going to suggest that you try it some time. I see you have been trying it, and I hope you found it a success!"

IGOROTS, WILD BUT LOYAL



Igorot Chiefs and Warriors.

THOSE wild men of the mountains of the island of Luzon, the hardy, brown-skinned Igorots, have gone to the caves and hiding places where they buried their treasure in the long ago before Dewey broke the shackles of Spanish rule and have unearthed sacks of Spanish and Mexican coins and carried them over mountain trails to Gov. Hilarlo Logan as their Liberty loan contribution.

"Please send this offering for the use of the Great Apo across the sea," was their simple request. It amounts to about \$8,891.

As an example of how this primitive people answered the call of the Great Apo for help when the last Liberty loan drive was made by Governor Logan, it is told that three Benguet Igorots came in from an out-of-the-way corner of the mountains one day, carrying sacks of old Spanish treasure, amounting to more than \$14,475.00.

Commenting on this humble offering, the Manila Bulletin says:

"The 1,500 pesos, while not in themselves a great amount when the Philippine total subscriptions of over \$5,500,000 is taken into consideration, are regarded by the authorities of the mountain province as the most significant contribution to the entire Liberty loan campaign in the islands, coming as they do from an aboriginal people who never before trusted any savings bank but mother earth, but have been led in 18 years to confide in the integrity of the 'Great Apo across the seas' to such an extent that they unearth their treasure and lug it over the mountains that it may be sent to him to aid in prosecuting the war against Germany."

"This was not all of the Igorot subscription by any means, according to the reports which have just reached this city from the mountain capital, these stating that the 4,900 pesos subscribed by the Igorots of Benguet province formed a part of the 44,000 pesos (\$42,640) subscription given by the civilian residents of Baguio and the immediate vicinity. The greatest surprise of all was the eagerness of the Igorots throughout the subprovince and Governor Logan may well be proud of his work. In the few days he had at his disposal he reached even the most distant towns in the mountains and aroused the Igorots to their great demonstration of patriotism."

Want to Go to the Front.

Not only did the Igorots give their treasure, but they offered their services to Governor General Harrison, and are anxious to go to France to help the Great Apo to win the war for freedom. Judge James Ross of the colonial administration, who recently made an extended tour of Luzon, said that every mountain station where he stopped was filled with natives who asked for a chance to enlist. Each native came in with his discharge papers, showing the length and quality of service he had rendered to the government of the Philippines. Then, saying that he had heard the United States was at war with Germany, he would urge his claim to bear arms under the American flag. Judge Ross would advise the sturdy volunteer to rejoin the constabulary, in which many vacancies exist, but this would not satisfy the Igorot. One and all wanted to fight.

When one stops to consider the barbaric life that the Igorot still lives, this offer of treasure and service to Uncle Sam is all the more remarkable. The Igorot is still very much himself and is totally different from all his other Philippine brothers. Americans are establishing schools, and education is making some progress. But the Igorots have no laws, and each community is ruled by a council of old

Foolish Victims of Custom.

A summer hotel in Vermont once tried the experiment of placing horn-pout on the menu, only to provoke indignant protests from the guests against such unheard-of and uncivilized food. A few days later the despised fish were again presented under the disguise of "mountain trout," when they met with such enthusiastic favor that several men had to be employed for the rest of the season to catch enough of the fish to satisfy the demands of the discriminating guests. These victims of custom would eat 'out, but not catch.

As a Man Is Judged.

Remember, it is not the kind of work you are going to do, but the kind of work you now turn out that counts. Your future is a guess forecasted only by the present. Exceptional unexpected fitness seldom appears. It never happens. It is a matter of growth if it comes at all. Latent ability may lie dormant until challenged by some great task, but it will be a mental competence physically handicapped if it hasn't been working up to its job.

men, they live in the northwestern section of the island of Luzon, and number about 185,000. Theirs is a mountainous country, six days' march inland from the nearest civilized town. They are a mixture of savage, barbarian and civilized people.

Worship One God.

They have one god, Lumawig, and their religious system is a sort of worship of the spirits of the departed, whom they believe to inhabit the earth, just as before they died, except that they are invisible to mortal eyes. The Igorots are moral and upright, from their standpoint, and their code of conduct, although simple, is strict. They worship in their homes, and in the fields, but have no priests.

They have no written language and no literature of any sort. But they have a number of curious folk tales. One is somewhat akin to the Adam and Eve story. Lumawig, out of love for his people, sent an old couple to earth with a new food for the Igorot tribes. The old couple on a certain day were to explain its use to the mortals, but the latter became curious and could not wait until the appointed time. Two of the Igorots stole the bag in which the new food was hidden. This so angered Lumawig that he said the Igorots thereafter would have to till the ground and gain their food by the sweat of their brows. The new food was rice. It today is the great staple of the people. Rice and sweet potatoes are the only things they raise.

Another legend tells of the origin of head hunting. In warfare the Igorot always brings home the heads of his victims. One day the Moon, which is a woman, was beating out brass. The young child of the Sun stood near by, watching. His scrutiny angered her, causing deception. The Sun then appeared and put his child's head back on his trunk, declaring that because of the Moon's wanton act mortals would henceforth cut off each other's heads when in wrath.

Know How to Irrigate.

Although primitive in their planting and harvesting the Igorots mastered all the details of irrigation. This is the source of their prosperity. They have terraced all the mountainsides and raise two crops of rice a year. While the Igorots as a race are small, they are exceptionally well developed. They are great mountain climbers. Dress reform does not bother them. A thin breechcloth and a happy smile make up their costume, which they wear the year round. They are much like the aboriginal Indian of America in many customs, one in particular being that the women do all the work, while the men sit around in indolent ease, smoking green tobacco in ill-smelling pipes. The women and children smoke, too.

Superstition enters into their cures for sickness. When a part of the body is injured they tattoo little stars all over the spot, believing that by this means they will drive out the little devils that have taken up their abode there. Being exposed to the sun and weather at all times they are constantly shedding their skin. When death occurs in a family the natives take chicken meat and other foods and a great feast is held, followed by a wild dance similar to the dances of the American Indians. The body is then buried, and the personal belongings of the dead person are handed among the relatives and the visitors depart.

They relish dog meat, and after they have fattened a dog on rice they have a barbecue and a wild dance.

But with all their quaint and savage customs the Igorots are patriotic to the American flag now, and want to go to the trenches for the Great Apo.

With the right intelligence and will power there is no reason why you can't work up.

You have the same chance that has made others great. If your mentality and skill are equal to theirs, why can't you do what they have done. If they are not you have no reason to complain. When you make your life count, obstacles and problems will become pleasures. Men of metal rejoice in the chance to prove themselves.

Roman Glass Makers.

Rome is supposed to have entered upon glass making only some 300 or 400 years before the Christian era. She brought it into the empire along with her other conquests. Alexander Severus, 220 B. C., levied a tax upon its manufacture within the imperial city, and in the reign of Tiberius the glass makers had an entire street to themselves in the Porta Capena.

Daily Thought.

The men and women that are lifting the world upward and outward are those who encourage more than criticize.—Elizabeth Harrison.

HOME TOWN HELPS

NEED NOT FEAR WOOD FAMINE

Government Figures Convey Assurance to Those Who Contemplate Using That Material for Building.

Wood has been and is still one of the chief materials used in the construction and furnishing of the home. It has had natural advantages because of the ease with which it can be worked and fastened, because it has strength and hardness for general purposes, because it is comparatively light in weight, because it is a good protection against heat and cold, and because it is pleasing in appearance. These properties, which are due to its peculiar chemical nature and physical structure, have made wood unique among building materials.

An impression seems to be prevalent that the supply of wood is becoming so depleted that in the near future it can be used for ornamental or special purposes, says a report issued by the bureau of standards. This is declared to be erroneous. We still have enough virgin timber. It is declared, in this country to last for several generations, and with the growing practice of forestry a certain supply will always be maintained, partly by increasing the yield of timber per acre and partly by checking the waste in using the timber.

Although the centers of production are being removed farther and farther from the centers of population, freight rates do not make the shipment of lumber across several states prohibitive, wood being a comparatively light material.

MANY CITIES START ZONING

Are Following the Lead of New York in Attempt to Save High-Class Sections.

The zoning and building heights restrictions, which when they were put into operation more than a year ago engendered so much opposition from certain interests, are now considered a great step in city planning, a wonderful means of safeguarding sections from detrimental influences affecting the character of the sections, which in turn produce loss in many directions, particularly fee value. Outsiders have watched the working of the restrictions and are convinced that they are worthy of acceptance. More than a half dozen large cities of the country are now preparing restrictions based on those of New York. This was disclosed at the meetings in New York of the American City Planning Institute, which had for its special purpose a closer study of the restriction. Zoning commissioners and city planners to the number of 100 attended the meeting. They came from Philadelphia, Newark, St. Louis and other cities where zoning commissions have already been appointed to subdivide their cities into residential, trade and manufacturing zones.

Flowers Essential.

With the first breath of spring, the earth everywhere breaks forth and is covered with verdure and blossom—the violet, arbutus, daisies and all the field flowers. The dogwood, laurel and rhododendrons, with their clouds of blossoms, ornament the woods. We gather and place them in the home; they carry cheer and beauty wherever shown. Why should these and other favorites from all over the world not be enjoyed the season round? They are, as grown in the greenhouse, even more beautiful in the winter season, when the earth is covered with its mantle of snow. The blossoming pot in the window, the graceful fern or palm, which, with their summer green, give life to the house decorations, are as essential to the beauty of the home as flowers to the landscape. Let every member of the craft combat with his greatest force and earnestness, every effort made to decry the use of flowers.

Recreation Spots Needed.

"If we are to conserve the health, the morals and the fine spirit of enthusiasm so vital to the welfare of our people, we have in this recreational movement the greatest opportunity for good now lying within the field of social service."

"The wrongs against society are committed by our people not in their hours of work, but in their hours of leisure, and the responsibility lies not wholly with the people who perform these unfortunate acts, but with the people who have not been wise enough to see to it that the fundamental business of the community at large is to see that it becomes increasingly easy for the people to do right, and increasingly hard for them to do wrong."—Government Bulletin.

Appropriateness First.

By all means let any community, be it large or small, secure as large a building as possible for its important civic edifices, but let the members of the committee, as well as individual citizens, make every effort toward the intelligent expenditure of their money. Let them remember that a large building of poor or mediocre design is far less a credit to the community than a small building which is a model of harmonious, appropriate and well-studied architecture.—Boston Herald

A Rap for Dad.

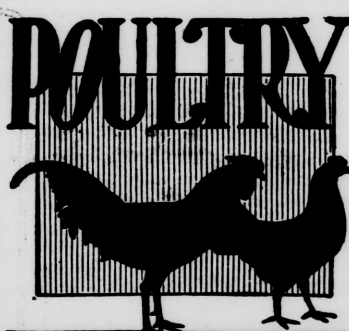
He—What did you say when your father asked if you thought I could support you as you had been accustomed?

She—Oh! I told him if you were as stingy with me as he is I wouldn't think of getting married.

Its Status.

"It is a wonder that this wine jelly is allowed in the menu of this 'dry' banquet."

"Perhaps they thought it best to have at least one oasis in the desert."



BRONZE TURKEY IS POPULAR

Largest of All Domesticated Fowls and Most Favored, Whether for Profit or Pleasure.

The Bronze turkey is the largest of all domesticated turkeys, the cocks weighing 36 pounds, and the hens 20 pounds, according to their standard of weights.

Besides the Bronze turkeys, the others of the turkey family are the Narragansett, White Holland, Black Buff, Slate and the Bourbon Red turkeys. Each of these varieties of turkeys is bred with more or less profit, but



Fine Type of Bronze Turkey.

the Bronze is the most popularly bred of all turkeys, whether for pleasure or profit.

The breeding stock is the first essential feature of profitable turkey raising, and the better, the healthier, the stronger the breeding stock, the greater will be the results.

Vigorous, healthy breeding hen turkeys should always be over one year old, two and three-year-old hens are even better for breeders.

FARMERS SHOULD RAISE MORE CHICKENS AND EGGS.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

More chickens and more eggs will release more meat for our armies and the allies. They cannot get our chickens and our eggs—we can and like to eat them.

Poultry can be increased more rapidly and more economically than any of the meat animals.

Chickens will live largely, grow and prosper, on waste that never otherwise would be of use, and will eat the infant bugs, particularly orchard pests, before they have had opportunity to do great harm.

Chickens require a minimum of attention. Most of it can be given by women and children. No heavy labor is required. Chickens will help win the war.

LITTLE DETAILS OF SPRING

Poultrymen Should Clean Out, Disinfect and Whitewash Hen Houses—Look Over Fences.

With the coming of spring, when fowls spend more time out of doors, the poultryman should on his overalls and jumper and set things briskly to rights. There are the houses to clean out, disinfect and whitewash; fences to look over and possibly mend; yards to rake up, spade and sow to rye or oats; brooders and brooding coops to paint and clean and colony houses to get in shape.

ADVANTAGES OF SOUR MILK

Keeps Turkeys in Good Health and Reduces Activities of Organism Causing Blackhead.

The feeding of sour milk has been found of advantage in keeping turkeys in good health and in reducing the activities of the organism causing blackhead. Free range and care not to overfeed are most important.

DO NOT FRIGHTEN CHICKENS

Hens Disturbed Will Not Lay as Well as They Otherwise Would—Keep Dogs Away.

Hens that are frightened or disturbed will not lay as well as they otherwise would and therefore it pays the caretaker to make friends with the flock and to be sure that dogs and strangers do not disturb the layers.

AVOID DAMPNESS IN HOUSES

Ducks Liable to Be Attacked With Rheumatism or Cramps—Also Cause of Leg Weakness.

Leg weakness in ducks is usually caused by dampness. If a duck is compelled to sleep in a damp house she is liable to be attacked by rheumatism or cramps, for which there is no sure remedy. Overfeeding will also do it.

Mrs. J. A. Sullivan of Mountville, W. Va., has 23 relatives in the war.

A NERVOUS BREAKDOWN

Miss Kelly Tells How Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Restored Her Health.

Newark, N. J.—"For about three years I suffered from nervous breakdown and got so weak I could hardly stand, and had headaches every day. I tried everything I could think of and she told me about it. From the first day I took it I began to feel better and now I am well and able to do most any kind of work. I have been recommending the Compound ever since and give you my permission to publish this letter."—Miss FLO KELLY, 476 So. 14th St., Newark, N. J.

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Be sure to ask for the double strength ointment, as this is sold under guarantee of money back if it fails to remove freckles.—Adv.

Venezuela has made the use of the metric system compulsory in its courts and public offices.

To restore a normal action to Liver, Kidneys, Stomach and Bowels, take Garfield Tea, the mild herb laxative. All druggists. Adv.

Over half of the vessels in the Philippine pearling fleet are operated by Japanese.

One bottle of Dr. Peery's "Dead Shot" will save you money, time, anxiety and health. One dose sufficient, without Castor Oil in addition. Adv.

United States is importing 18,000 tons of Chilean nitrate this winter.

Nerves All Unstrung?

Nervousness and nerve pains often come from weak kidneys. Many a person who worries over trifles and is troubled with neuralgia, rheumatic pains and backache would find relief through a good kidney remedy. If you have nervous attacks, with headaches, backaches, dizzy spells and sharp, shooting pains, try Doan's Kidney Pills. They have brought quick benefit in thousands of such cases.

A Virginia Case

Mrs. J. E. Parsons, 511 Poole Street, Norfolk, Va., says: "I suffered all one winter with pains in my back. My feet a n d limbs swelled twice normal size. The doctor said I would never be able to walk. Nothing seemed to help me and it was thought I would die. When some one advised me to take Doan's Kidney Pills, I did, and they made a complete cure. I have never had any trouble since."

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DELAWARE RATIFIES

By sweeping majorities in both branches, the Legislature on Monday last passed the bill ratifying the Prohibition amendment to the U. S. Constitution, being the ninth state and the fourth so-called "wet" state, to swing into the line of the "drys."

This prompt action of the Diamond State to take its stand in the foremost ranks of the great moral army marshalled to rid the world of Rum, its greatest curse, greater than War and Famine combined, is quite in keeping with its action upon all the great issues that have arisen since its entrance into our splendid sisterhood of states.

CARTER'S FINE LYRIC

On our first page we give our readers another poetic effusion from the second pen of the Evening Journal's editor—"Mother's War Hymn," which was sung by 15,000 people in the churches of Wilmington the Sunday following its appearance.

He wrote not long ago a sailor boy companion to his soldier lad piece, "Our Boy," more beautiful, to our notion, than that first charming composition. Brother Carter has become a real habitue of Helicon, and is so often favoring his readers with the genuine Castalian brew that one wonders why The Journal needs to get a fifth wheel to its poetical wagon!

BRUTAL, BRUTAL GERMANY!

The murderous Germans are everywhere continuing their bloody practices—shooting Belgian citizens, men and women; sending 12-year old Belgian lads into slavery and devoting Belgian girls to a worse fate; robbing and killing the poor Russian peasants whom with usual Germanic treachery they persuaded to disarm on lying promises of peace; sinking hospital ships and bombing hospitals on land; German officers superintending yet another awful American massacre of men, women and children by the "Kultur" Turks; plotting in every quarter of the globe their devilish deed—inflicting horses with the glanders in far away Argentina; and poisoning 500 horses in Kentucky; putting glass in foodstuffs and spreading wheat blight, and causing fires and explosions in our land—this is a partial list of Germany's infamous acts that are (if such be possible) adding to her unheard of crimes of every sort against all nations—aye, against civilization itself.

But Germany's treachery quite equals her barbarity. After cruelly deceiving the Russian people with professions of friendship and peace, she is ruthlessly despoiling that land, forcibly occupying its territory by the thousands of square miles, and seizing all foods, grains and cattle leaving the wretched peasants to starve—just the same inhuman deed she did in Belgium, Serbia and Poland.

Then here in America she is also trying through her thousands of spies, to corrupt our foreign-born citizens and in every possible way to thwart the Nation's war plans and to accomplish by underhand ways the ends she knows she cannot accomplish in fair, open warfare.

We will close this sickening catalog of blood and villainy with barely referring to an incident of horror narrated before a big audience in Wilmington recently by the Rev. Dr. Hillis lately back from several months survey of the devastated lands of Belgium and France.

The speaker told the shocking story (of which he had ample proof) of how ten German soldiers violated a woman en route, and after she had died under their hellish acts, ripped out her unborn babe and paraded with it stuck on one of their bayonets!

Yet are there to be found right here in our midst traitors, pacifists, native and foreign born, pleading for a shameful peace with these German devils!

Goats Are Cut.
Many of the people in this country today believe that the goat is anything but a lovable animal, relates an exchange. In reality there is no more lovable and gentle creature alive than "Mr. and Mrs. Chin Whiskers." Visit a goat ranch and learn to welcome the playful thrust of the cold little nose into the palm of your hand, or into your pocket, where a few of the more daring expect some hidden goodies are to be found. The awkward and playful antics of the little goatlet should win the heart of the most critical.

Translated Into English.
All books of the Old Testament apocrypha, 14 in number, have been translated into English, and are included as apocryphal books in some editions of the Bible. They were formerly printed under a distinctive heading between the Old and the New Testaments, and in that form can still be found in many old family Bibles. They are always included in the so-called Septuagint, a version of the Bible used by the Greek church.

Plant Food in Soil.
A chemical analysis cannot show the amount of available plant food in a soil. A chemist could, without difficulty, make an artificial soil containing every element of plant food in abundance, and yet be perfectly sterile. Peat, for example, is usually very rich in nitrogen, but it is locked up or unavailable. To pulverize it and mix it with lime is to change it into a highly nutritious soil.

Coconuts All Year 'Round.
Across Lake Worth, from West Palm Beach, Fla., is Palm Beach, situated on a strip which extends along the Atlantic ocean for many miles. The world famous Royal Poinciana, one of the world's largest hotels, and the Palm Beach hotel, both face Lake Worth. The shores of the lake for miles are fringed with stately coconut trees, always in bearing.

Despise the Savoyards.
Even to the present day the Genevise hate and despise the Savoyards, their hereditary enemies, calling the contemptuous attention of the stranger to the fact that these neighbors of theirs are unthrifty and still make their women work in the fields, as they did in former days. Fifteen minutes' ride in a motorcar will carry one from Geneva into Savoy.

Foundation for Success.
Constant cheerfulness and singleness of purpose, holding ever in mind the goal to be attained, will carry farther on the road to success than any other method however strenuous, declares an educator. Purification of self, consideration for others, increasing effort and no backward turning—these are the fundamentals of success.

Paraguayans Mistaken.
Paraguay has been fortunate in that she has produced some exceedingly strong men. But very unfortunate in that these men have too often been mistaken, selfish and grasping. One of the leading Paraguayans of today has said that Paraguay has had no history, but, instead, a series of tragedies.

"We Must Sail, Not Drift."
I find the great thing in this world is not so much where we stand, as in what direction we are moving, writes O. W. Holmes. To reach the port of heaven, we must sail sometimes with the wind and sometimes against it—but we must sail, and not drift, nor lie at anchor.

The Hardest Palm.
The hardest palm at all common in California, Trachycarpus excelsus, known as the windmill palm. Not alone is it hardy in withstanding low temperatures, but it is tough and will endure rough treatment, but boxed it is not a success.

Many Bad People.
It is said that each year 500,000 persons are committed to some jail or reformatory. In 1910 the total number of prisoners and juvenile delinquents in the United States was 166,472. Ten times as many males as female are imprisoned.

Age of the Fountain Pen.
The fountain pen is not a recent invention, as might be imagined; for it is referred to in Samuel Taylor's "Universal System of Shorthand Writing," published in 1786.

Cleans Inside of Bottles.
For cleaning the inside of bottles a French inventor has made a brush that can be adjusted to any angle from its handle by a screw running through the latter.

Use for Starfish.
Starfish are known to contain nearly 5 per cent of nitrogen and a small quantity of phosphoric acid. In Japan they are used as a manure.

Warning.
Wife (sweetly)—"My dear, I want to remind you to forget that tomorrow is our anniversary."—Life.

Hastens Reform.
Neither fire, nor sword, nor banishment can retard reform, but rather hasten it.

The Capital's Fifth Avenue.
Pennsylvania avenue in Washington is usually listed among the world's famous streets, but to the Washingtonian this avenue has not half the importance and attractiveness of F street, the recognized parade ground of the fashionable on sunny afternoons. F street in Washington is an institution like the monument, the government clerk and band concerts in the parks. It dates back far enough to tax the memory of Washington's few original inhabitants, but no records of its origin are filed in the city.

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STATE AND PENINSULA

Atlanta, is to have a negro Y. M. C. A. building to cost \$15,000.

Dover public school is the first school in Junior Red Cross membership to be 100 per cent.

Philadelphia contractors Tuesday began remodeling the Kent County Court House.

While in a Wilmington saloon John P. Desmond was relieved of \$60 in cash by a pickpocket.

Students and faculty members of Delaware College, Newark, bought \$3777 worth of Thrift Stamps last week.

It is stated that enough dynamite was found at Hog Island to destroy half the yard. Investigation is being made.

The Sussex County W. C. T. U. has adopted a French orphan and is raising \$36.50 a year for the child's support.

Dr. James W. Cain, president of Washington College, has been appointed food administrator for Kent County.

The Sussex County Commissioners have ordered a motor truck to convey road supplies from one point to another.

Farmers about Laurel are preparing much more ground for planting than last year, thought worried about the labor supply.

With heavy winds the flats at Cedar Beach have been blown bare for two miles, and fishermen have been gathering a harvest of clams.

Elisha Steel, a West Chester graduate has been chosen principal of the Millsboro High School to succeed Howard H. Williams, called to the colors.

War gardens will become a fad again this year, and gardeners in Kent County expect to use every available foot of ground for vegetable culture.

Owing to the freight congestion on the railroads, several big motor trucks are being used to bring goods from the cities to points on this peninsula.

Teachers in the Georgetown High School have volunteered as clerks for the Sussex county drafted board, and are classifying the lists every night.

Blooded cattle are to be purchased in the West and sold to Delaware farmers at cost, as the first step in a movement toward making Delaware a dairy center.

War Department Commission on Training Camp Activities now has 55 women deputy sheriffs working in vicinities of camps in all parts of the county.

One hundred and fifty residents of Wilmington employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad are in the service of the United States, many of them already in France.

Structural steel is arriving at the plant of the Penn-Seaboard Steel Corporation at New Castle, for the new plate mills that are to be installed at the Baldt works.

The Delaware Sunday School Association will raise \$5,000 for the support and development of the Sunday school system in this State, \$3,500 being Wilmington's quota.

An epidemic of unknown origin has broken out among the mules around Milton, and one man lost three from the strange disease which seems to affect them in the mouth.

A navy base hospital with a capacity of 500 beds has reached the war zone. It will take care of Navy personnel, both ashore and afloat, and if accommodations exist will also be available for Army and allied sick and wounded.

Center of Jute Industry.

Dundee practically owes its existence to its textile industry. It was the pioneer in the adoption of jute as a fiber for making cloth of a cheap quality, and its hold upon the trade has been so firmly maintained and developed that Dundee is recognized as the principal center of the jute industry in Great Britain.

Tibet History Lost.

The history of Tibet is lost in the obscurity of the long ago, for its customs date back to the morning of the world. Its people come from the ancient ages, and it is only known that they belong to the Tibeto-Indo-Chinese branch of Keene's Homo Mongolicus.

Fond of Chicken Hearts.

Lacy is fond of the hearts of all fowls. When dining out with friends she was asked what her choice of the chicken was. Forgetting the name for the moment, she said: "I forget de name. It's de part what makes his live."

Many Seem to Think So.

Like everybody else, the paragrapher has his dull days, though, perhaps, the rest of the people feel that the paragrapher has more of them than anybody else.—Wilmington News.

Definition of True Friend.

"A friend," said Uncle Eben, "is a man that laughs at you funny stories even if dey ain't so good; an' sympathizes wif yoh misfortunes, even if dey ain't so bad."

Circle of Ulloa.

The circle of Ulloa is a white rainbow or luminous ring sometimes seen in Alpine regions opposite the sun in foggy weather. It's an odd sight.

Exceptions to All Rules.

In so complex a thing as human nature, we must consider it hard to find rules without exceptions.

Happiness.

"Pleasure," said Uncle Eben, "kin be imported, but happiness has to be home-made."

PATRONS ARE THE PATRICHS

Customers of Some Hotels Profit Very Little by New Plan of Conservation of Food Supply.

The food administration is pleased to pieces with the New York hotels for saving more than a thousand barrels of flour a week and some 17 tons of meat a day by these wheatless-meatless occasions that are so popular now, a writer in Collier's observes.

Provision dealers report a falling off in sales, and all is lovely and statistical. 'Tis a fair picture to gaze upon, but honor where honor is due! That patient hero, the hotel patron, ought to come in for a few kind words, since he pays the full price and eats the half portion.

"Save wheat—use corn"—bread is 10 cents, corn bread is 15 cents. As a transient consumer, the other noon, we paid 90 cents for a slice of beef as large as a postal card, plus one tablespoonful of creamed potatoes, plus a bit of Yorkshire pudding about the size of a watch. No doubt it was all that was good for us, but the price was more.

If the widely known principles of economics are still working, we helped make meat and bread cheaper and paid as much as if we were making them dearer.

A patriot is a noble thing, but isn't it better to be one than to try one? The hotel keepers of Manhattan are playing both sides of the game and the food administration furnishes a jazz band of statistical admiration for their efforts. These bonifaces who are shrinking the meals and swelling the prices need something all right, but not governmental encouragement.

Meanwhile the hotel user can feel sure that the war has not changed his function at all—he's the paying goat now just as he used to be.

War Trade Board Takes Steps to Meet the Requirements of Both the Army and Navy.

Restrictions governing the exportation and importation of wool were tightened recently by the war trade board with a view to conserving American supplies and checking the increase in prices, which have risen 200 per cent.

No commodities containing wool will be permitted in future to leave the country. It was announced, if, in the judgment of the board, the wool is needed for the uses either of the army or the navy.

Importers before they can obtain licenses will be required to sign an agreement that they will sell no wool to persons other than manufacturers and that they will give the government an option to purchase all wool imported at a price 5 per cent less than the price that obtained for the same grade July 30, 1917.

When Nobel Cut His Finger.

The great war might be traced back to Nobel's cut finger, E. E. Slosson writes in the New York Independent. Alfred Nobel was a Swedish chemist—and a pacifist. One day while working in the laboratory he cut his finger, as chemists are apt to do, and again as chemists are apt to do, he dissolved some gun cotton in ether alcohol and swabbed it on the wound. At this point, however, his conduct diverges from the ordinary, for instead of standing idle, impatiently waving his hand in the air to dry the film as most people, including chemists, are apt to do, he put his mind on it and it occurred to him that this sticky stuff, slowly hardening to an elastic mass, might be just the thing he was hunting for an absorbent and solidifier of nitroglycerin. So instead of throwing away the extra colloid that he had made he mixed it with nitroglycerin and found that it set to a jelly. The "blasting gelatin" thus discovered proved to be so insensitive to shock that it could be safely transported or fired from a cannon. This was the first of the high explosives that have been the chief factor in the great war.

To Remodel Japanese Army.

The return of distinguished Japanese officers who have been in Europe studying the latest military tactics on the battlefronts will be followed by army reorganization, reports the Tokyo Jiji. Under the new system one division will consist of three regiments instead of four, as now, and a force composed of two reorganized divisions will become the fighting unit of the Japanese army. Increase in the number of regiments is not contemplated, but the number of divisions will be necessarily augmented.

Whether or not the new formation will be seen in the forthcoming annual maneuvers is unannounced. The military maneuvers at Tokyo is preparing to build airplanes for army use, and an appropriation of \$3,750,000 will be asked from the diet. The exact type of airship has not been decided.

Delight of Berlin Life.

One of the beauties of autocratic government, says the Springfield Union, is shown in the snow-removal order issued by the military authorities in Berlin, under the provisions of which every property owner is required to remove the snow not only from his sidewalk, but from the roadway as far as the center of the street, and is authorized to call on all tenants between the ages of fourteen and sixty to assist him in this work. Failure to comply with the order is punishable with a fine of not more than \$375 or imprisonment for not more than a year, and the police are authorized to handle all such cases without the formality of a trial.

Mr. Hoover has warned the housewives against handing over their food supplies to crooks claiming to be government men, which will probably cause most housewives to say that if the crooks find anything in the house they hope they'll split.

The U-boat has been baffled, according to the optimists, and according to the kaiser it is to play its most destructive part in the war. Under the circumstances, we had better keep on looking for the pests.

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EXTRACT FROM THE LAWS OF DELAWARE, GOVERNING THE COLLECTION OF TAXES OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY, SECTION 3, CHAPTER 30, VOLUME 21, LAWS OF DELAWARE, AS AMENDED:

Section 3.—That on all taxes paid before the first day of October there shall be an abatement of five per centum. On all taxes paid before the first day of December there shall be an abatement of three per centum. On all taxes paid during the month of December there shall be no abatement whatever. And on all taxes unpaid on the first day of January there shall be added one-half of one per centum per month until the same shall be paid.

T. EDGAR CLAYTON, Collector of Taxes for St. Georges Hundred

PAID LOCAL ADS.

FOR SALE—Wagons and dearb

THE BIG WORK IN THE WAR

The War Lord Salutes the Field Marshall.

Such is the striking title to a well-timed cartoon in an agricultural paper, showing the War Lord in salute to the farmer. The meaning of it is that without the assistance that the farmer renders in the matter of providing food for the army the fighting ability of that body would be proportionally decreased. While the army is fighting, the farmer is busy. The promptness with which he springs into the breach was a patriotism equal to that of the man who enlisted and the farmer's record in this particular was worthy of the high record that has become his. All over the United States the appeal is being met by more production. Fields are enlarged, intensive agriculture has taken the place of sloshed methods, more cattle are being fattened, more hogs grown, and lamb have become scarce commodities. This is all in keeping with the food-controller's demands, and with the heartiness that is now prevalent, it would seem as if the requirements of the boys at the front and the allies in Europe would be fully met.

Not only are the tilled acres of the United States being brought into requisition, but the wild pasture lands are doing tribute with their cattle and sheep. Working in conjunction with the United States, Western Canada is also doing its share and a pretty large share it is, too. By an arrangement with the United States Government it will now be possible through its employment bureau to secure for the Western Canada fields such help as can be spared. It is thought in this way Canada will have its help to feed its millions of acres of wheat and fairly well met. The large number of young men of the farms who have enlisted and gone to the front has left many of the Western Canada farms weak in the matter of man power. This means that Canada can take all that the United States can spare. The wages will be good and the housing comfortable.

In addition to this the free homestead lands of Western Canada offer the greatest inducement to the man with limited means who is willing to undergo some of the hardships naturally accompanying this enterprise. There is also the large area of uncultivated lands that are waiting the man with sufficient means to purchase and equip. And this is not expensive. The cheap lands are cheap and the terms very reasonable. Equipped with tractor or horse power the cultivation cost is slight when the return is considered. Yields of wheat varying from 20 to 40 bushels per acre may be relied upon, and with a set price of over \$2.00 per bushel, it is an easy matter to arrive at the cost. Production, including interest on land, has been estimated at figures not exceeding ten dollars an acre. With a twenty bushel yield, at a two dollar price—forty dollars. Ten from forty and you have the profits many farmers made in Western Canada the past year.

The Dominion and Provincial Governments are working conjointly in an increased production propaganda. Among the important steps that have been taken to bring this about is the recent order by which it is made possible to take into Canada tractors that cost fourteen hundred dollars and less in the country of production. This will give those residing in the United States, owning lands in Canada, the opportunity to place them under cultivation at much less cost than in the past. Another inducement is the privilege of taking sheep and cattle in free of duty. Automobiles form a necessary part of the outfit of a good many farmers that would like to move to Canada. These are now accorded free duty. Provision is also made that those requiring seed and unable to obtain it in any other way, may get it from the Government. So from this it will be seen that it is not only the fertile lands of Western Canada that invite the settler, but the ease and cheapness with which a farmer may establish himself.—Advertisement.

Minnesota in 1917 produced 50,000 bushels of wheat.

Pennsylvania hunters kill 3,000,000 rabbits yearly.



THE SPRING DRIVE

Our boys are going "Over the top" and into "No man's land" this spring. No one has any doubt of their ability to get there. There will also be a spring drive on this side of the ocean, because March is the year's "blue Monday." It is the most fatal month of the year. March and April is a time when resistance usually is at its lowest ebb. It is a trying season for the "run-down" man. But medical science steps in, and says, "It need not be." We should cultivate a love of health, a sense of responsibility for the care of our bodies. Do not allow the machinery of the body to clog. Put the stomach and liver in proper condition. Take Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, to be had at most drug stores in tablet or liquid form, tablets sixty-cents a vial, composed of native herbs. This puts the stomach and liver in proper condition. You may be plodding along, no spring no elasticity, no vim, but as soon as you have put the body into its normal physical condition—oiled the machinery, as it were—you will find new vim, vigor and vitality within you. A little "pep," and we laugh and live. Try it now. Send Dr. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y., 10c. for trial package. A little energy will save the day. The prime necessity of life is health. With spirit and energy you will have the power to force yourself into action. The Golden Medical Discovery is the spring tonic which you need.

CAMERAMAN AWAITING THE EXPLOSION OF GERMAN SHELLS



The photographer with moving picture camera is standing patiently waiting to picture the explosions of German shells in the valley below, as Teuton gunners situated over the hilltop have just found the range.

Make Fortunes by Smuggling

Traders Run Goods From Finland Into Sweden, Bringing Enormous Returns.

AIDED BY FRONTIER LAXITY

Haparanda is the Dawson of Sweden's New Klondike Where Gold and Wine Flow Freely—Typical Night Scene.

Tornea, Russia.—The Tornea river is frozen over again and business is good in smugglers' haven. From far up in the Arctic tundra of Lapland down to ice-filled Tornea bay, 30 miles south of the circle, sledges drawn by reindeer, dogs and ponies are crunching across the river by night, laden to the runners with tea, coffee, rubber and sugar, all bound for Sweden, where they are worth almost their weight in gold.

Their sources are Russia and Finland, and their immediate destination Haparanda, on the Swedish side of the Tornea river, where ex-sailors, hotel waiters and a typical collection of frontier town types are making money hand over fist and drinking champagne for breakfast.

Haparanda is Swedish, as different from war distracted and revolution-ridden Russian Tornea as if it were hundreds of miles away, instead of being separated only by a ten-minute sleigh ride in winter and a ten-minute ferry trip in summer, across the mile-wide, salmon-filled river. Haparanda is the Dawson of the new Klondike, and its gold comes from sledges that slip by the Russian frontier guards, full of the commodities Sweden needs.

It is nearly Arctic, and in the heart of winter, there is daylight only five hours.

Frontier Customs Post.

Before the war Haparanda was a tiny village, a frontier customs post. The Russian frontier guardmen were vigilant and those who slipped through from Finland with smuggled goods were very few and far between, and there was less incentive to smuggle, for Sweden imported freely from across the seas. The war made Tornea the rival of Archangel and Vladivostok as a port of entry into Russia. Haparanda shared the gain. Business buildings of wood and a large hotel that looks like a typical American small town hall sprang up almost overnight. It is still growing.

The goose that lays the golden egg that buys wine and keeps the poker games going lives over in Finland, which, although short of food itself, permits millions of kroner worth to slip through every month.

A year ago a Swedish preacher, on an innocent mission, was shot by a Russian frontier guard. The trouble that resulted led to almost complete laxity at the frontier, and now on any dark night scores of sleighs slip across the river, unmolested, and deposit their cargoes on the Swedish side. Some of the goods go through the Swedish customs houses, and the duty is paid. Even with the Swedish duty there is tremendous profit on the shipments.

Coffee that the Finnish agents secure for ten kroner a kilo (2.20 pounds) brings 20 across the frontier. Small boats, muffled in great overcoats, waddle across the river on skis with rubber tires for automobiles wrapped around their waists—and rubber is the most difficult of all commercial products to obtain in Sweden. Its export from Russia is forbidden.

"Gay White Way" Always Filled.

The smugglers are the richest, but Haparanda's "Gay White Way"—the hotel—is filled always with other spenders.

Here is a typical picture of any night in Haparanda when business is good on the Tornea. The coffee room is crowded early. A Serbian "kappelmeister" tunes up his violin. A young Austrian with a bass viol and three plump, smiling German girls, with mandolins, the rest of the orchestra, play American ragtime. Swedish barmaids hurry about with champagne and other wines, just as expensive.

A young Swede, with a blank-looking face, who has just made 10,000

WORTH \$25 TO SEE BROTHER

Prison Warden Who Gave Prisoner Holiday Returns Check to Chicago Woman.

Oklahoma City, Okla.—Gov. R. L. Williams, who released a number of prisoners for a ten-days' holiday over Christmas, received a present he had to return. The sister of one of the men sent him a check for \$25, saying she had had the opportunity of seeing her brother for the first time in years.

PLANS TO DROP BOMBS NEAR DAD'S OLD HOME

Madison, Wis.—"I'm going to fly back to Berlin, where you came from, dad, and drop a bomb somewhere near your old home."

That's the way Lloyd A. Lehrs, a student in the course in journalism at the State University, informed his father that he had enlisted in the aviation service of the United States Army. The father's reply to the message was:

"God bless you, son. I'm proud of you."

Lehrs' father was born in Berlin, but came to America with his parents when only four years old.

MONSTER CREATIONS OF STEEL AND CONCRETE TO HELP CRUSH KAISER.

Solves the Speed Problem

Lathe Turns and Bore Shells With Extreme Rapidity—Giant Planer First Metal Working Machine Built of Concrete and Iron.

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FATHER, HUSBAND AND SON

Loyal Woman Experiences War Horrors Thrice and Knits Right On.

Helena, Mont.—Four wars have torn the life of Mrs. W. C. Almon, but she struggles bravely to do her bit in this the greatest struggle. Mrs. Almon, who is seventy-three years old, is a citizen of Fairmont, Mont., and is here visiting her son, W. S. Almon, Jr., a prominent merchant.

When she was two years old, her father left their Illinois home to fight the Mexicans. He returned safely, but when the Civil war broke out he again enlisted and was killed at Vicksburg. Mrs. Almon's husband—then her fiancé—served in the same regiment.

Mrs. Almon was a Woman's Relief corps leader during the Spanish war, giving both her money and her time to the cause. Now she is here to bid goodbye to her son who shortly goes to the front in the aviation corps. And she knits right on.

LARGE FEET GETS HIM OFF

Negro Is Discharged From Army Because of Enormous Pedal Extremities.

San Antonio, Tex.—Private Ivey Cleveland, negro, Twelfth company, Third battalion, One Hundred and Sixty-fifth Depot brigade, Camp Travis, is going back to the Brazos "bottoms," where shoes are not essential. He will take with him an honorable discharge, as he has the biggest feet of any man who ever trod the parade ground at Camp Travis. He arrived at the camp wearing a pair of No. 14 brogans, which were too small.

By and by Cleveland's No. 14's began to wear out, and army officers tried to find a shoe to fit him. They tried a pair of No. 12, double E shoes, but Cleveland could not begin to get his feet in them. Rather than go to the expense of having shoes made at a cost of \$15 or \$20, Private Ivey was given his honorable discharge.

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PUBLIC ROADS

GOOD ROADS IN CONNECTICUT

State Superintendent of Repairs Directs All Work Through Maintenance Organization.

(By E. B. HOUSE, Colorado Agricultural College, Fort Collins, Colo.)

Connecticut places the maintenance of her roads under an officer known as the superintendent of repairs. The state is divided into ten districts. Each district is under the control of a supervisor of repairs, who is located near the center of his district. Each district is divided into sections, and each section is in charge of a foreman. Under ordinary conditions these foremen work singly and devote



Permanent Road in Connecticut.

their entire time to the repair and maintenance of the roads in their section. If an emergency comes, ten or fifteen men are placed under a foreman for repair work. These gangs of workmen are maintained continually and are transferred from place to place; put under one foreman for a few days, and then transferred to another section in order that the work may be properly done.

COMPANY TAKES OVER ROAD

Virginia Legislature Grants Charter to Private Concern to Operate Old Highway.

The legislature of Virginia has granted a charter to an association known as the Warrenton and Fairfax Turnpike company, Inc., which will take over the old Alexandria-Warrenton pike, to grade and resurface the road and operate it as a tollroad until the state wishes to take it back.

The charter states that when the state does take it back it must pay the stockholders the cost of the road, with interest, minus dividends.

IMPROVEMENT BY ROAD DRAG

Farmer Can Be Convinced of Effectiveness by Use of Implement After Each Rain.

If you are not one of the fortunate ones with a good macadam or even concrete road in front of your place, you can make a good road of it if drainage has been attended to by the use of the road drag. Just try it after each rain, on the stretch of road leading from your gateway toward town the length of your holdings; you will not only be surprised and gratified with the improvement, but you may be encouraging your neighbor just beyond to do likewise.

OUTLINES GOOD ROADS PLAN

Opening of Forty-Mile Boulevard in Canada First Step in System of Improved Highways.

The new concrete highway between Toronto and Hamilton, Ontario, was opened recently. The premier of Ontario announced at the opening that the 40-mile boulevard between the two cities was only the first step in a great system of improved highways throughout the whole of Ontario. Plans have been made for this work, but it will not be undertaken until the actual end of the war is in sight.

GOOD ROADS ARE ESSENTIAL

Better Highways Must Be Secured to Make it Possible to Consolidate the Schools.

Back of the whole country school problem looms the road question. You can't have better schools without better roads. Better roads must be secured to make it possible to centralize and consolidate the schools. Where communities enjoy the advantages of good roads, commodious buildings have been provided, more competent teachers have been employed and modern facilities for teaching have been supplied at a minimum cost.

Plan Size of Culvert.

The size of the culvert to be placed depends upon the amount of water to be taken care of, but no less than a 12-inch pipe is recommended.

Determine Type of Culvert.

The site of the culvert and the type of structure should be determined by careful investigation.

Feed Calf Skim Milk.

If one has an abundance of skim milk it is well to feed the calf six or eight months.

Best Seeds to Plant.

Good seeds to grow should be pure or free from other kinds of seeds, be true to name and possess the greatest possible longevity.

Essential for Garden.

Perhaps the first essential for a successful garden is to plan it on paper in detail before starting, so as to waste no valuable space.

Good Roads.

Underdrainage is the basis of good roads.

DAIRY FACTS

CALVES ON SEPARATED MILK

No Fixed Rules of Feeding Can Be Given—Size and Vigor of Animal Must Be Considered.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

At least four-fifths of all dairy calves are raised on separated milk grain being used to supply the fat removed. Usually it pays well to feed whole milk for about two weeks, at the end of which time separated milk may be used in part. The proportion of the latter may be gradually increased until at the end of the fourth week it is used altogether. No fixed rules of feeding, based upon age, can be given, because the size and vigor of the calf must always be considered. Calves especially strong at birth may be put on separated milk entirely at two weeks of age, but this should not be attempted with weak ones. Until the calf is in vigorous and thrifty condition no attempts should be made to change to separated milk. This change should always be made gradually.

For the first four days, from eight to twelve pounds of milk from the dam should be fed. After this time the milk may be from any cow or cows in the herd, but preferably not from any that are nearly dry. Milk containing not more than 4 per cent of butterfat is considered the best for this purpose.

At the beginning of the third week the substitution of either skim or separated milk may commence at the rate of one pound a day. The quantity of the daily ration may be increased two to four pounds, depending upon the vigor of the calf. The quantity, however, should be kept well below the capacity of the calf; that is, when it does not drink eagerly what is offered, the quantity should be cut down.

At the beginning of the fourth week, from one-half to three-quarters of the milk ration should be separated milk.



Teaching Calf to Drink.

During the week the change should be continued until by the end of the week only separated milk is fed. With especially vigorous calves the change to separated milk may be made about a week earlier.

After this time separated milk may be fed entirely unless the calf is very delicate. The quantity fed can be gradually increased until 18 to 20 pounds a day are given. It is usually not economical to feed more than this unless milk is very plentiful.

The time that milk should be discontinued depends upon its cost in relation to the value of the calf, its breed, size, vigor, etc. The season in which it reaches the age of six months and the other feeds available at that time must also be taken into consideration. Six months is probably a good average age at which to wean calves from milk. When the best of hay, silage, and a good variety of grains are available, the calf may be weaned earlier than when such feeds are lacking. The season of good, succulent pasturage presents the best possible condition for weaning a calf, and when this exists the calf can be weaned earlier than when it is lacking.

When the calf is two months old, and if it is carefully watched, sour milk, whether whole, skim, or butter-milk, may be fed without harmful results, provided the change from sweet milk is made gradually. It is not well, however, to alternate between sweet and sour.

Avoid Feed at Milking Time.

Cows will stand more quietly and the milking can be done more comfortably if the animals are not trying to eat while they are being milked. Feeding at milking time also may add dust and other impurities to the milk.

Work Out Rations.

Feeding rations for the cows can be worked out. If you have trouble send us your feeds and we will have our experts work out your ration.

Comfortable Barns Cheapest.

Comfortable barns keep dairy cows warm far more cheaply than high-priced feed.

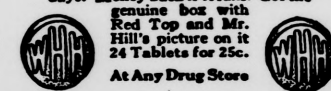
Cows in Testing Associations.

Of 23,572,200 dairy cows in the United States only 51 per cent belong to testing associations.

Neglected Colds bring Pneumonia

CASCARA QUININE

The old family remedy—in tablet form—safe, sure, easy to take. No opium—no unpleasant after-effects. Cures colds in 24 hours—Grip in 3 days. Money back if it fails. Get the genuine box with Red Top and Mr. Hill's picture on it. 24 Tablets for 25c. At Any Drug Store.



Rheumacide

Have you RHEUMATISM Lumbago or Gout?

Take RHEUMACIDE to remove the cause and drive the poison from the system. "RHEUMACIDE OF THE INSIDE" PUTS RELIEF ON THE OUTSIDE. At All Drug Stores. Jas. Bailey & Son, Wholesale Distributors, Baltimore, Md.

The Home Remedy

for coughs, colds, hoarseness; pleasant to take and sure to help when needed.

Hale's Honey

Of Horehound and Tar

A tonic, expectorant and laxative. Contains no opium nor anything injurious. Sold by all druggists.

Try Hale's Toothache Drops

Children Who Are Sickly

When your child cries at night, tosses restlessly in its sleep, is constipated, feverish or has symptoms of worms, you feel worried. Mothers who value their own comfort and the welfare of their children, should never be without a box of

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children

for use through all the year. Sold by all druggists, 25 cts. Sample mailed FREE. Address, Mother Gray Co., Le Roy, N. Y. Be sure you ask for and obtain the genuine product. Don't accept by regulating the child's any substitute.

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ODESSA

Rev. H. C. Shipley is attending conference at Dover this week.

Miss Evelyn Crouch, of Dover, visited her parents near town over Sunday.

Miss Gertrude Wallace, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with her parents here.

John McCoy, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with his grandmother Mrs. John McCoy.

Private Robert Heller, of Camp Dix, Wrightstown, N. J., spent Sunday with his parents here.

Miss Emily Webb, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with her parents Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Webb.

Mr. Joseph Roemer and family, of Port Penn, visited Mr. Byard McClain and family on Sunday.

Mrs. H. C. Shipley and daughter Elsie and Mrs. Dora Limpert are visiting friends at Wyoming.

Mr. Austin and daughter Miss Hilda, of Mt. Pleasant, spent one day last week with Mrs. Joseph Heller.

The Epworth League will hold a social for the League members only on Wednesday evening, March 27th, in the lecture room.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Porter, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Jeffers, of Wilmington; Mr. and Mrs. French and Mrs. M. B. Kates, of Philadelphia, were guests of Mrs. Eccles and daughter on Sunday.

The annual Sunday School election was held in St. Paul's M. E. Church last Sunday and the following officers were elected for the year: Superintendent, Mr. William Elliott; Assistant, Mr. A. H. Donovan; Secretary, Mr. Harry Unruh; Assistant, Miss Helen Megee; Treasurer, Mr. William Bogensheit; Librarian, Karl Morris; Assistant, Eugene Shockley; Supt. of beginners and cradle roll department, Mrs. H. Morris; Supt. of Primary Department, Miss Loleta Buckson.

Help! Help!! Help!!!

"Our Nation's life is in peril! Our liberties are endangered!" These startling words of warning are uttered by a number of our leading military men having a sure, inside knowledge of the facts.

They tell us the country must wake up and put forth its mightiest efforts or national shame and ruin will result.

The Nation must have MONEY, and every patriot will pinch himself and herself hard to buy Liberty Bonds in the coming issue; to buy Thrift Stamps; and in every possible way to help save food for our hungry Allies.

M. E. Conference Opens

The 50th session of the Wilmington Annual Conference, held in Wesley Methodist Episcopal Church and presided over by Bishop Frank M. Bristol, of Chattanooga, Tenn., opened Thursday morning.

After the administration of the Lord's Supper by Bishop Bristol, assisted by district Superintendents Watt, Mowbray, Wise and Collins and W. E. Gubny, pastor of Wesley Church, the conference roll was called, and many members and probationers responded.

The conference then elected its officers and standing committees. The new appointments will probably be announced on Monday.

Fire at Millington

MILLINGTON, Md., Mar. 18.—This place had another disastrous fire in the heart of its business district early yesterday morning and a damage of between \$60,000 and \$80,000 resulted. One-third of the business section was wiped out. In July, 1904, the entire business section was burned out.

Owing to the high cost of building material at this time it is doubtful if the buildings destroyed will be rebuilt very promptly.

One of the buildings, that of Charles M. Hurtt, contained a great deal of high explosive powder and when this was ignited a number of windows in dwellings and stores on the opposite side of the street were broken.

Aid from the various nearby points was held up on account of the bad roads, although the Centerville Fire Company managed to get through promptly and aid in getting the flames under control.

Farmers Must File Affidavits

WASHINGTON, March 26.—American farmers were today urged to file affidavits for deferred classification for their farm hands in a statement by the United States employment service.

The service warned that if farmers failed to follow this advice they should not complain if their farm hands are taken in the new draft of approximately 99,000 men who will be called to the colors.

Immediate action along this line was requested of all farmers by the employment service to help the critical farm labor shortage which now faces the nation.

"The local draft boards," Director John B. Densmore said, "being judicial bodies, cannot defer the call of such men unless the farmers employing them support their claims for such deferred classification with affidavits. It is therefore very important that farmers immediately execute and file such affidavits with the local boards."

Provost Marshal General Crowder has ordered that men engaged in farm production who are listed in class 1 of the draft and who are within the new quota, should be deferred until the end of the quota.

The Transcript \$1.00 per year

RESULTS OF POULTRY SAVING

Poultry production must be pushed vigorously. "One hundred hens on every farm," is the popular and timely slogan and fits in aptly with the restrictions of the Food Administration on the marketing of hens. This regulation caught some poultry raisers with a surplus of breeding hens although there is no surplus in the country at large, for the shortage of feeds and the high price of poultry has tempted breeders and the owners of small flocks to sell their hens.

Even those inconvenienced by the restriction on the sale of hens can easily see the point of the regulation. If the hens are killed off the hundred hen movement has little chance, nor will there be hens enough to supply the backyard flock for the man with the bit of land who is trying to make his own stronghold hunger proof. The present situation offers an opportunity to live wire poultry men to start a piece of community work that will connect the surplus of breeding hens to the hundred hen movement and the backyard flock. Community organization and the gospel of "feed yourself" will dispose of surplus hens and convert possible roasters into food producers for the winter of 1918-19.

Agents of the United States Department of Agriculture report that between Jan. 1, 1918 and Feb. 11, forty carloads, each of about 4,000 hens and pullets, were shipped from the state of Texas alone.

This means that 160,000 birds that were laying or about ready to lay were prevented from turning into eggs the food they had consumed without return during the winter. Had those birds been kept until April 30, as urged by the Department of Agriculture and as required by the Food Administration for those remaining on the farms on February 11, it would have meant an estimate an addition of 400,000 dozen eggs to the food supply of the nation, with little added expense for food, and would have merely postponed use of the birds themselves as food until after May 1.

Has Bought Tractor

Mr. James T. Shallcross is making plans for the most intensive farming of his career, he has sold his herd of cattle, and discontinued the dairy business, in order to plant another field of corn as he is a large grower of seed corn. He placed an order last week for a tractor, which will pull three fourteen-inch plows. With the tractor he will double his corn ground previous to plowing it. It is also his intention to plow his corn in the autumn with the power of the tractor, will shred his fodder in the field, and stack it there, and in the following spring spread it on the ground to be put into corn. Experiments with shredded fodder at several experiment stations show that this makes a most excellent fertilizer.

Odessa Red Cross

We have just received 100 bed sheets to be made at once, who will come help in this good work? A sample will be furnished so you can make others without any trouble.

Two ladies are wanted each afternoon who can run a sewing machine to make special bandages, and all who will come are wanted to fold bandages and many other small jobs. You cannot realize what can be done in an hour unless you come see. Don't forget Wednesday April 10th at 2 P. M. is election of officers for the coming year, also dues for another year are due at that time.

MRS. GEORGE WHITLOCK
Publishing Committee

Knee Cap Broken

Ex-Senator Alexander P. Corbit, of Odessa, suffered a painful accident while on a tour of inspection of one of his farms near Odessa Monday. He had gone into the woods and his foot became entangled in the underbrush throwing him heavily to the ground breaking the knee cap.

Mr. Corbit crawled more than a mile until he could make himself heard by a colored farm hand at work in a field. The man procured a wheelbarrow, and took Mr. Corbit to the farmhouse, and from there he was taken to Odessa, where Dr. Joseph Carrow administered first aid treatment. He was later taken to a hospital in Wilmington, for treatment.

Port Penn Gets Shell Plant

With the arrival of J. H. Bigelow, a Government engineer expert, at Delaware City, it was learned that the Government is planning to erect a large shell-loading plant at Port Penn, a few miles below Fort DuPont, which will be the largest of its kind.

The plant will employ 9,000 persons, and it is understood that the Government will build homes for the workers. The site is within easy access of the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal, and the Delaware River, as lines of the Pennsylvania Railroad. The site embraces 400 acres.

The Value of Lime in Soil

Lime affects both physical and biological conditions of the soil, and at the same time has a tendency to liberate unavailable potash and phosphoric acid. The principal object in supplying it to the soil is to correct the soil acidity. It should never be considered as a direct fertilizer, but always as a soil corrector. The effect of lime shows up better on such crops as clover, alfalfa and timothy than on corn or wheat, and very often the failure of clover or other leguminous plants indicates the need of lime.

WARWICK

Mr. Jack Cochran is on the sick list. We are glad to report that Mr. John Holden is improving.

Mr. J. H. Vinyard of Wilmington spent Sunday at his home in town.

Mrs. Urie Ginn, of McDonough, spent Tuesday with Mrs. V. L. Vinyard.

Miss Mame Merritt spent Wednesday with Mrs. S. S. McCubbin, in Cecilton.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lane entertained company from Kennett Square, on Tuesday.

Mr. David Yeatman, of Kennett Square, Pa., spent Sunday with Miss Eula Vinyard.

Preaching Sunday evening at 7.30 P. M. Christian Endeavor at 7 P. M. Everybody welcome.

Mr. Hazel Price of Tome Institute, is spending the spring vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Price.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Merritt and daughters, Ethel and Lenile, and Miss Clara Blackburn, of Wilmington, were Saturday and Sunday guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Merritt Sr.

In Brief

Eat less; breathe more.
Talk less; think more.
Ride less; walk more.
Clothe less; bathe more.
Worry less; work more.
Waste less; give more.
Preach less; practice more.

Ohio State Journal.

Proposals

Proposals will be received by the Levy Court of New Castle County up to noon Tuesday, March 26, 1918, for crushed stone in various sizes, at local quarries throughout the county.

Address
W. T. PURKS, President,
County Building,
Wilmington, Del.

Public Sale!

I WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION AT MY STABLES IN GALENA, MD.,

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Beginning at 10.30 a. m., sharp rain or shine

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Some of these mules and horses are as good as you will find in any sale ring. All of my own will be sold at the high dollar, and most all commission horses and mules sold as they usually bring a fair price and very seldom one is drawn.

I sold 21 mules and 33 horses and colts at my last sale and I will have more good ones at this sale.

Will sell a few good fresh cows, heifers and stock bulls. 150 to 200 Shorthorns and Friesians at every sale. One farmer, having bought a tractor, 5 or 6 of his best horses, two John Deer Riding Plows, three 20th Century Manure Spreaders, one farm Wagon and a lot of harness will be sold.

Make special mention of a registered Holstein Bull calf and a pair of twin bull calves from the best Holstein Cow this farmer ever raised and I expect one of the best cows in Kent Co. and by a registered Holstein bull. These calves will make fine bulls for a farmer to turn out to head his herd with.

Will begin selling horses at 12 o'clock. Will sell rain or shine. TERMS CASH.

S. G. CALDWELL.

My next sale will be April 12th.

Notice!

My wife, Tabitha A. Webb, having left my board and bed, I wish to inform the general public that I will positively not pay any bills contracted by her.

JOHN W. WEBB
McDonough, Del.

March 20, 1918.

PATRIOTIC

MASS MEETING

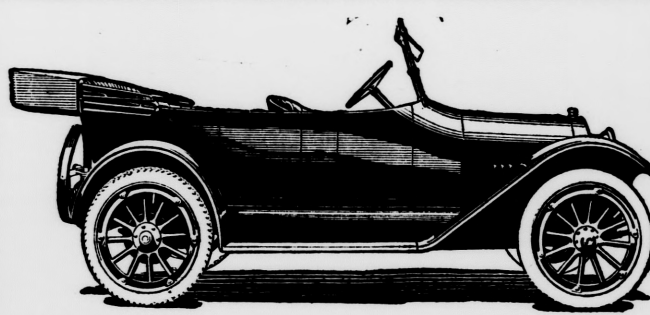
Opera House, MIDDLETOWN DELAWARE
TUESDAY NIGHT
MARCH 26th, 1918
At 8 o'clock

A Patriotic Mass Meeting will be held in the Opera House on Tuesday night, March 26th, at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of having discussed the various issues of the war and the duty of every individual toward the same.

MUSIC will be furnished by the UNITED STATES MILITARY BAND of Fort duPont, of twenty-four pieces. It is expected that Lieutenant Sutton of the British Army who lost an arm in No Man's Land, in front of the German trenches, will be present and tell first hand stories of the Front. Other speakers of State and National reputation will be present.

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ADMISSION

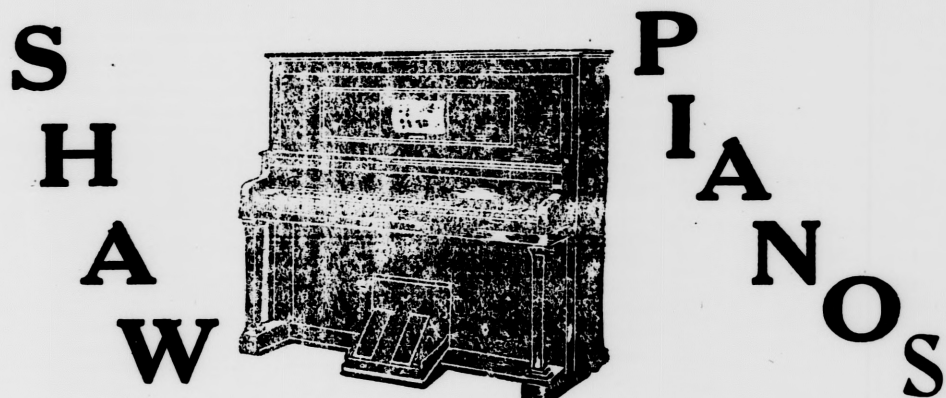
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